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## 1. Pal National Corporation, Kbely

This company, which manufactures dynamos, starters, spark plugs, pneumatic tubes and low voltage electrical parts, is no longer under military supervision. The plant employs about 1,600 workers, of whom the major part are women. Leading personnel include the following:

- a. Technical Manager Karel Janda
- b. Production Manager Frantisek Panek
- c. Chairman of the Plant KCC Jaroslav Lerch

## 2. Agrostroy National Corporation in Brandys nad Labem

Although agricultural machinery is now being manufactured in this plant, it is ready for conversion to the production of military items. The plant employs between 2,000 and 2,500 workers, and consists of 25 buildings, each about 40 m by 60 m in size. The production manager is Hotzel.

## 3. Rudy Letov, Prague

In addition to the experimental production of jet airplane motors, this plant manufactures minor passenger cars. The plant is under the administration of the Local National Committee.

## 4. Skoda Works in Adamov

Shells and M3 percussion caps are manufactured in this plant and shipped to Policka for further processing. Barrels for model 36 A machine guns and army pistols are produced and shipped to Zbrojovka Brno.

## 5. Poldina Hut, Chomutov

About 1,000 cases for 120 mm mines are produced per day and shipped to Cierna nad Tisou. This plant also manufactures parts for Diesel engines which are

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sent for assembly to the Praga factory in Prague. In addition to these items, electrodes and turbine blades are manufactured.

6. Brvenice (N61/F12) Power Station

This plant is powered by 210 coal dust-fired boilers operating under 90 atmospheres pressure and driving Skoda turbochargers which produce 32,000 KW at 16,000 rpm. Another station of this type is under construction in Korčula (R49/E66).

7. Autorenova, Prague-Karlín

In addition to auto repairs, this plant produced spare parts for Praga automobiles, steam and water turbines, injection pumps and KDF amphibious cars. By July-August 1950, about 300 of these amphibious cars had been completed and about 400 more were under construction. Most of these vehicles are shipped to army engineer units in Terezin. The plant employs about 7,000 workers.

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